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FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUNDS TO STATES REACH RECORD HIGH
Distribution of more than \$15 million in federal aid funds to the

50 states, Guam, the Virgin Islands and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
for fish and wildlife restoration was announced today by Secretary of the
Interior Stewart L. Udall.

An apportionment of \$20,600,000 was made in June, bringing the fiscal year 1968 total to a record \$35,650,000. This total includes \$26,320,000 for wildlife and \$9,330,000 for fish projects.

Apportioned funds will be used for acquisition of fish and wildlife areas, habitat development, hunting and fishing access sites and research.

Under the aid program, the Department of the Interior will pay up to 75 percent of the cost of completed state projects that have met the Department's requirements.

Funds come from excise taxes on fishing tackle and sporting arms and ammunition. The previous record year was 1967 when \$31,068,000 was allocated. Apportionments by state are listed in the table:

## $\frac{ \text{Apportionment for Federal Aid in Fish and Wildlife Restoration}}{ \text{Fiscal Year 1968}}$

State	Fish	Wildlife
Alabama	165,154	513,705
Alaska	466,500	1,316,000
Arizona	186,373	591,842
Arkansas	185,090	443,004
California	466,500	1,262,787
Colorado	218,474	675,934
Connecticut	93,300	131,600
Delaware	93,300	131,600
Florida	198,970	423,908
Georgia	225,499	525,879
Hawaii	93,300	131,600
Idaho	158,716	506,919
Illinois	230,189	627,457
Indiana	206,492	577,977
Iowa	158,041	476,777
Kansas	156,847	510,127
Kentucky	137,118	381,726
Louisiana	110,913	442,651
Maine	93,300	299,756
Maryland	93,300	195,846
Massachusetts	93,300	149,591
Michigan	323,514	1,033,071
Minnesota	410,071	688,030
Mississippi	139,355	438,074
Missouri	244,967	595,645
Montana	211,058	750,265
Nebraska	135,563	493,861
Nevada	144,358	519,157
New Hampshire	93,300	131,600
New Jersey	93,300	173,497
New Mexico	163,838	592,736
New York	238,772	806,732
North Carolina	153,588	576,457
North Dakota	100,360	361,966
Ohio	270,081	681,730
Oklahoma	202,326	494,263
Oregon	241,436	697,792
Pennsylvania	173,441	1,002,973
Rhode Island	93,300	131,600
South Carolina	104,208	300,877
South Dakota	129,732	442,595
Tennessee	213,780	489,329
Texas	466,500	1,316,000
Utah	151,432	524,171
Vermont	93,300	154,850
Virginia	133,640	482,004
Washington	182,673	553,894
West Virginia	93,300	<b>2</b> 99 <b>,</b> 485
Wisconsin	325,579	725,797
Wyoming	142,552	514 <b>,</b> 863
Guam	10,000	10,000
Puerto Rico	10,000	10,000
Virgin Islands	10,000	10,000
Totals	\$9,330,000	\$26,320,000